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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Before the Honorable Charles R. Breyer, Judge

IN RE: UBER TECHNOLOGIES, )  
INC., PASSENGER SEXUAL ASSAULT )  
LITIGATION ) No. 23-MD-03084 CRB  
)

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1 **Friday - December 5, 2025**2 **2:02 p.m.**2 **P R O C E E D I N G S**3 **---o0o---**4 **THE COURTROOM DEPUTY:** Calling Civil  
5 Action C 23-MD-03084, In Re Uber Technologies, Inc., Passenger  
6 Sexual Assault Litigation.

7 Counsel, please state your appearances.

8 **MS. LONDON:** Good afternoon, Your Honor. Sarah London  
9 on behalf of the plaintiffs.10 **MS. ABRAMS:** Good afternoon, Your Honor. Rachel  
11 Abrams on behalf -- from Peiffer Wolf on behalf of the  
12 plaintiffs.13 **MR. BAGHDADI:** Good afternoon, Your Honor. Khaldoun  
14 Baghdadi on behalf of the plaintiffs.15 **THE COURT:** Ms. Vartain, you're not shy, are you?16 **MS. VARTAIN:** I'm here, and I'm joined by my colleague  
17 Kim Bueno -- good afternoon, Your Honor -- on behalf of the  
18 Uber defendants.19 **MS. BUENO:** Good afternoon.20 **THE COURT:** Good afternoon.21 So, thank you very much. I received the joint case  
22 management statement.23 And let me -- let me go right away to the Arizona trial,  
24 which is on tap. We should confirm dates, but I don't think  
25 there's a change or anything.

It's just that it doesn't leap out. Things over years tend to leap out to us. Yes, this is this; this is that. It doesn't leap out here. Maybe it's there. I mean, after all, you did go through a trial once without bifurcation.

**MS. BUENO :** Mm - hmm .

**THE COURT:** Okay. And it turned out okay.

So, you know, be that as it may, every trial is different, so forth. But I do want you to -- I do want you to give some thought to that, sooner rather than later because --

**MS. BUENO:** Yes, Your Honor.

**THE COURT:** -- we really have to plan.

I know Arizona is very pleasant in January, but --

**MS. BUENO:** January.

**THE COURT:** -- you know, we've got other places to go.

North Carolina. Texas. I've got a big travel schedule all set out. Do you want to know what it is? Just look at the weather forecast.

(Laughter.)

**THE COURT:** You won't be disappointed. We're all in this together.

Okay. What else do you want me to deal with?

**MS. LONDON:** Your Honor, do you already know, or who should we ask when we will get questionnaires back?

THE COURT: Okay. Let me tell you what I've done on the questionnaires. I have chopped and diced. I have

1 formulated a questionnaire that incorporates some, but not  
2 all -- some. I mean, I took out a fair amount from both sides.

3 You know, I love these questionnaires. They are carefully  
4 drafted for vast sums of money by the experts. You know, do  
5 you read *Field & Stream*? Because if you subscribe to  
6 *Field & Stream*, you're more likely to vote for the plaintiff or  
7 for the defendant, so forth.

8 All of that I just tossed by the boards, and I tried to  
9 make the questionnaire manageable and important, in my view.

10 They have been sent out. You will get -- and I think  
11 Lashanda will be able to tell me. I think within a week to  
12 ten days, you will get their response. The idea is to give you  
13 the questionnaires, to have you work with them as long as  
14 possible.

15 What it won't have, so you know, it will not have their  
16 names. And while, were the case tried here, I think we do give  
17 names, the case is in Arizona. The practice is not to give  
18 names. And I'm trying to emulate, to the extent I can, the  
19 Arizona practice because that's what -- that's why we're there.  
20 That's why Uber put in the forum selection clause. So  
21 that's -- and that's the point of the bellwether.

22 So you can take a look at it, and then we should have a  
23 further conversation. Obviously, if there are people that both  
24 sides agree should not be called in, I like to get rid of them  
25 early. So you can certainly submit a list, a joint list, of

1 going to have a jury the first day. None of this -- none of  
2 this, you know, lengthy proceedings.

3 I intend -- and you can talk me out of it. I intend to  
4 have nine jurors, maybe eight, probably nine. And each side  
5 will get three challenges, peremptory challenges.

6 So that's the way I look at it. If you have different  
7 views, you're free to express them, obviously, obviously. But  
8 I will not turn the jury selection process into an encounter  
9 session. I will -- you know, if somebody's got a problem when  
10 they were three years old, I apologize for that, but I've got  
11 to move on rather than explore the depth of their problem in a  
12 particular way.

13 Now, obviously, somebody who's been assaulted, somebody  
14 who's been accused of a violation of -- you know, of normative  
15 behavior, of assaulting somebody or being assaulted, they're  
16 highly relevant in this case in which it is a sexual assault  
17 and in which the defense in the case was it was not -- it was  
18 consensual, one of the defenses. I mean, there's more, but I  
19 mean -- well, that's the bottom-line defense, I suppose, in a  
20 way.

21 I don't know -- if the jury believes that it was a  
22 consensual sexual act, I'm not quite sure where we go from  
23 there other than that Uber prevails, I would think, but maybe  
24 not. Maybe not. Maybe I don't know. Hey, there's a lot going  
25 on.